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Man Hangs Self In Our City Jail
Sgt. Robert Heasley Saves Life

"To Serve and Protect," unquestionably and regardless of circumstances was — once more — the axiom proved by our Sierra Madre Police Department. This time by Sgt. Robert "Bob" Heasley.

by NANCY BRYAN

On duty during the early morning hours of January 1, Sgt. Heasley was responsible for saving the life of a prisoner who had been arrested about 11:30 p.m. by Sgt. Teal, New Year's Eve, on a charge of "being drunk in public." From the moment the arrestee was booked and placed in a cell, he continually raised an audible fuss. Periodic "cell checks" of all prisoners are made and one such, by Sgt. Heasley, had been made of this particular prisoner not twenty minutes prior to the time Heasely became aware that things were pretty quiet and that there was no noise at all coming from the cell.

Although another check was not scheduled for some time yet, Heasley grabbed the cell key and upon entering the cell found the man hanging by the neck from strips of blanket.

While releasing the victim, Heasley called to Police Woman Gail Bruning, on duty at the dispatcher's desk, to get the car keys for him. After getting the resuscitator from the police car, the Sgt. rushed into the jail cell just as the victim was taking his last breath. Heasley's thoughts, as he started the life saving action, were that he was going to either — with the aid of the resuscitator — make the man "breathe or float."

Meanwhile, Policewoman Bruning contacted a local doctor who arrived almost immediately and after examining the victim, who was now breathing on his own, advised that the victim should be hospitalized, as he would probably try it again.

After the doctor made necessary arrangements for hospitalization at a veterans' hospital and an ambulance was called to transport the "victim-prisoner," the charge of "drunk in public" was cancelled out under p.c. (Penal code) 849.B — "deemed not arrested." In this particular case, this was necessary in order that the victim, a local man, could be hospitalized and treated.

Congratulations, Sgt. Heasley, on a job well done. Sierra Madre's pride in its law enforcement team is justified still again.

SGT. BOB HEASLEY

THREE VIVACIOUS BEAUTIES . . . .

GAIL M. BRUNING
Police Woman-Dispatcher

PATRICIA C. BONNER
Police Clerk-Dispatcher

MARIE C. BRUNING
Police Woman-Secretary to the Chief

The Heart of the Sierra Madre Police Department . . .

Here we have the privilege to present to the public the "heart of the Sierra Madre Police Department," the three beauties that, via radio, keep the department on the move, and in their spare time are responsible for the flow of paperwork that accompanies any operation.

Marie C. Bruning, senior member of the group, is a Police Woman and the Chief's Secretary. She has been with the department since early 1963 and is the smiling light to all your problems; always willing and able to give you responsible direction.

Gail M. Bruning, also a Police Woman as well as a Dispatcher, keeps monthly and yearly reports on an even flow; also always smiling and willing to give a helping hand to any that may ask for it. She became attached to the department a little over a year ago and has endeared herself to every officer of the department.

Patricia C. Bonner, Police Clerk-Dispatcher is the youngest service member of the department, having joined the department this past fall. She keeps the Police units rolling and in her spare time helps the officers with their daily reports.

It certainly would be a drab department without these three beauties to keep the units and the reports rolling on time and to be the smiling front at the police desk. One only has to talk with them and work with them and then "Thank God" that He gave us women such as these.

Population Now 12,171

The Regional Planning Commission estimates that Los Angeles County population rose by 17,636 persons during the third quarter to reach an October first total of 7,136,820. This is an increase of 49,143 since the first of the year and a gain of 1,094,120 in the eight and one-half years since the 1960 Census. Represented in this new County total is an eight and one-half year average growth of 128,720 persons per year or a population increase of sligthly more than 18 per cent since the last decennial census.

The population of the County's 77 cities has increased by an estimated 107,116 persons since January first, while the unincorporated area lost 57,973

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Search Team Rescues Man

Responding to a call for assistance from the National Park Service at Death Valley, nine members and one bloodhound of the Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team left the city early Saturday morning, January 4th. Arriving at 7:30 a.m. at Stovepipe Wells in Death Valley, Ranger Albert Schnieder informed the team that 26 year old Kyle Douglass of Fredericksburg, Iowa, had been staying with relatives at the Sand Dunes campground when he disappeared about 3:30 p.m. Friday afternoon.

The team went to work immediately with the bloodhound, while ground tracking teams, and Honda riders were dispatched to the search area to attempt to locate further tracks. Tracks were picked up and the crews centered on the area to the southwest of Stovepipe Wells, some 5½ miles from the campsite. The victim was eventually spotted

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Frederick Gruber Killed In Action In Vietnam Dec. 1

Services were conducted for SP/4 Frederick Gruber, U.S. Army, age 19 who entered the services of his country on November 6, 1967, was sent to Vietnam on May 23, 1968, and was reported killed in action on December 1, 1968, while serving as a crew chief on a helicopter gunship.

He leaves to mourn his passing his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Gruber, of 449 Mariposa, a sister, Victoria Ann Gruber and a brother David M. Gruber.

Services were held in the Sierra Madre Congregational Church with Rev. Richard J. Anderson and Dr. W. S. McBirnie officiating.

Interment was in Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno Wednesday at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dr. W. S. McBirnie Voice of Americanism in Glendale. Frederick came to Sierra Madre from Pasadena, living in Sierra Madre since 1960.

Ripple Mortuary was in charge of all arrangements.

Architect Estimated Cost Set At $165,000

Recreation Center Set For Bids On Feb. 18; Construction Starts March 10

In the Administrative Progress report for the month of December, 1968, to the Mayor and City Council, City Administrator Boehm had this to say:

As Council is aware, Recreation Center architect Robert Wood has been authorized to proceed with working drawings on the facility. Preliminary working drawings are already being reviewed by staff and will go to the Mayor's Recreation Advisory Committee for its review. As the working drawings are completed, they will be brought to the City Council for final approval and authorization to advertise for bids, conceivably at Council's January 28th meeting. This would be followed by bid opening on February 18 with Council awarding the bid on February 25th and construction to begin by March 10, 1969. This would mean that construction would probably be completed by the middle of July.

Civic Center

Revised schematic drawings for the City Hall are now being completed by the Civic Center architect and preliminary drawings are also being prepared for the Police and Fire facilities. In view of Council's decision for an expanded community recreation center in Sierra Vista Park, the architect has prepared a revised plot plan of the Civic Center excluding the community building. The Civic Center Advisory Committee will meet on January 6, 1969, to discuss the revised plot plan and schematic drawings. A progress report by Committee Chairman Anderson and architect Jim Maul may be made before the joint City Council - Planning Commission meeting of January 7.

Canyon Sewer

As of the end of December, 256 of 479 property owners have responded to the initial opinion survey (91 or 35.5 per cent yes, and

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Building Permits Up

Total valuation of building permits issued during 1968 surpassed the $2½ million mark. The total was $2,554,298; this compared to the 1967 total of $1,815,172.

Nine building permits were issued in December with valuation of $21,324. Street, electrical and plumbing permits issued 52, fees collected $502.13.

Business licenses $4,834.75. Dog licenses, 64, fees $274. Bike licenses, 24, fees $24.

Canyon Variance Denied By Board

The Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing at its regular meeting on Thursday, January 2, and after a full hearing, denied a variance to Roy H. Thorsen for property at 548 Sturtevant.

Mr. Thorsen's request was for a three unit bachelor apartment at the Sturtevant address, which is in the Conditional Permit Zone. The variance was denied.

The board also heard a request of St. Rita's Church for two lot consolidations. These consolidations take in two separate parcels which include the parking area for the new church building. The consolidations were granted.

SIERRA MADRE'S ENTRY into the 80th Tournament of Roses, received from the judges second place for cities under 15,000 population; one other entry, City of Commerce, received first. All of Sierra Madreans were extremely proud of their year's entry and realized that many, many hours had gone into its planning and building.

Sierra Madre Community Hospital

Dr. Burlison Selected As New Chief of Staff

DR. CARLTON L. BURLISON

Replacing Dr. William E. White, last year's chief of staff of the Sierra Madre Community Hospital, Dr. Carlton L. Burlison, has now been elected the new chief of staff.

Dr. Burlison of 80 West Sierra Madre Blvd., has been a practicing physician in Sierra Madre since December, 1965, and a member of the medical staff of the Sierra Madre Community Hospital for the past three years.

Dr. Burlison and wife Barbara have three children, two daughters, 11 and seven months and son 8. Dr. Burlison is an active member of the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club, an active member of the Church of Nazarene and chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Burlison's high school education was received in Pasadena, after which he attended and graduated from the Pasadena Nazarene College. He was given his medical education and M.D. at Loma Linda University and internship at the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles. He has held the offices of secretary, vice president and chairman of the Utilization Committee.

Senior Citizens Start New Year

The Sierra Madre Senior Citizens Club met in the Park House, January 4.

Guests introduced were: Verna Gross, from Chicago; Martha Smith, from Cleveland, and Clara Stevens, from Great Falls, Montana.

Mr. Peters reported the audit of the treasurer's books and found them in order. Door prizes were won by Roy Pickett, Lola Bullock and Martin Olson.

Bennice Olson was the installation official of the officers of 1969: Dorothy Crouchley, president; Molly McKim, vice president; Helen Hill, second vice president; Helen Wheeler, treasurer; Frances Gardner, assistant treasurer; Henrietta Symonds, recording secretary; Edna Grier, corresponding secretary.

President Dokken thanked the club members for their cooperation during the past year, then he welcomed the new president, Dorothy

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Ballet Movie At Sierra Mesa Mon., Jan. 13

Dame Margot Fonteyn and Rudolf Nureyev star in the current presentation of the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History documentary film series.

The world-famous ballet team is featured in "Romeo and Juliet," which will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Monday, January 13, at the Sierra Mesa School. Admission is free.

Music for this color film is by Serge Prokofief. A prologue describes each of the three acts of the ballet, although no narration interrupts the action once it has begun.

The documentary film series is a cultural service to the community by the Museum of Natural History.

Poem Winner Announced

A tribute to Albert Switzer was judged the best poem entered in the recently sponsored FAA Sierra Madre Poetry Contest. "Saint of Lambarene," by Florence Bryant of Pasadena won the grand prize of $25 plus the $10 award for best in the "Rhyme" category.

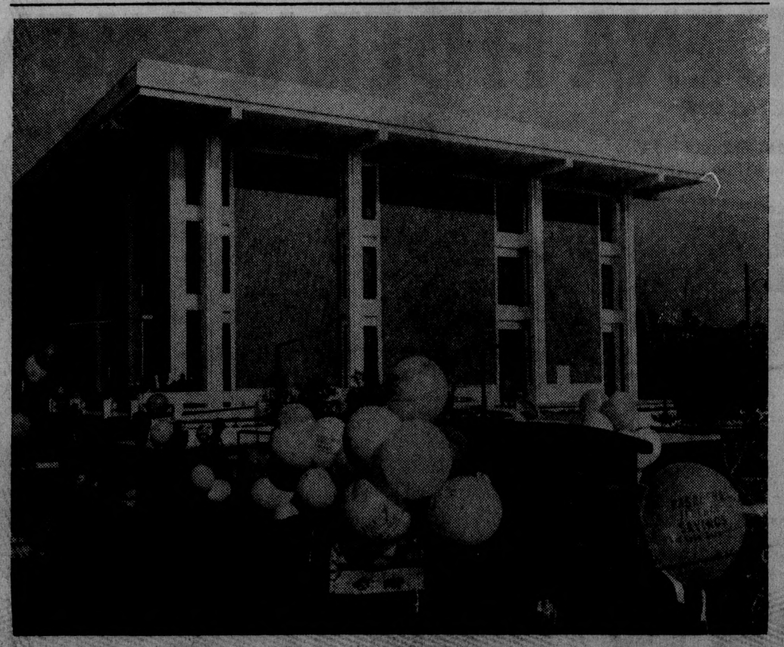
Winning poems will be broadcast over radio station KMAX (107.1 FM) on Thursday, January 9, from 9:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, January 24, Wistaria Poets will host a reception honoring the winners at the home of Fay Angus, 405 N. Canon Drive, at 8 o'clock in the evening, to which all contestants are cordially invited.

Judges for the contest were Fay Angus, Wistaria Poets: Ray Duncan; Bill Yaryan; Lex Diamond, KRLA. Well over 100 entries were received and special appreciation is given to our local merchants and businessmen who donated the prize money to this highly successful event.

WEATHER

	High	Low
Dec. 30	72	42
Dec. 31	76	47
Jan. 1	80	47
Jan. 2	78	49
Jan. 3	84	52
Jan. 4	82	54
Jan. 5	85	52
Jan. 6	84	58

Total rainfall to date ..2.25"
Year ago to date .....7.48"
2 years ago to date ....11.95"



IT WAS A HAPPENING! Nearly 3000 Pasadena area residents attended the Grand Opening of Pasadena Federal Saving's new headquarters building, Lake at Walnut, recently. Highlights of the celebration, which started with a parade of antique cars, were architectural model exhibits of "Progress in Pasadena," a tour of the beautiful new building, refreshments and souvenir gifts. The celebration will continue through January 10.

Fire Call Mon. Evening

Your Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters were called to their first fire of the new year at the hour of 7 p.m. Monday evening, January 6.

Engine 424 arrived at the scene in two minutes and 58 seconds, it being the apartment buildings at 120 West Esperanza, owned by C. W. Hammack of 3725 Greenhill Road, Pasadena.

Upon arrival it was found that a Eucalyptus tree at the rear was aflame; later it was discovered that a Christmas tree disposed of at the trash gondola had been set afire by a party or parties unknown. The tree then set the Eucalyptus tree afire and the trash gondola. The area was then investigated by Fire Prevention.

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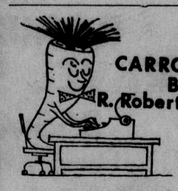

I am extremely happy, and I know this feeling is shared by some 25 Firefighters in our community . . . We did not have any catastrophe in our community over the Christmas and New Year's holidays . . . . If ever there is a time when we pray for inactivity it is during this period.

— CT —

I did have the pants literally scared right off me though, and this was Christmas Eve about 9:30, when clearly over the air came the report from the Police Department that he was going to be out of the unit checking smoke and burning materials in Kersting Court.

— CT —

Truthfully, it was not the Creche that I thought about, because the report further involved the Sierra Madre News. The fire marshal was dispatched and I am telling you the truth, I made hot tracks in that direction, but we found nothing and was I relieved, in fact I returned home and enjoyed Christmas Eve a lot better. It's bad enough when you go out on a call for someone else, but brother, when you make the "run" and think it may be your own establishment, brother that shakes the old body considerably.

— CT —

Well, we stand on the brink of a new year, and believe-you-me, this one is going to be a dilly, and one that many of us will never want to return to, and many of us will be extremely happy when it is all over.

— CT —

Taxes will be the basis of all our troubles. Now this does not necessarily mean a direct application of taxes, God knows that this will be rough enough, but there will be elections. Water Bonds, School Bonds, Civic Center Bonds. The Surtax remaining, increased Social Security, higher property taxes. Yes, you will all have a chance to vote upon them, but remember the majority rules and there are those who have not been driven to the dry water hole as yet and will be directing all in that direction.

— CT —

As to the business front for Sierra Madre, we estimate that several businesses will change hands before we celebrate another New Year. Already it is announced that Mike's Barber Shop will change its name as well as its owner. Mike Bachwansky is retiring and has turned his shop over to Ed Williams, and the shop will be known as Ed's Barber Shop.

— CT —

We have been put on notice that another business will have a "Quitting Business Sale" to be held approximately February 7. She just cannot make the grade any longer in Sierra Madre. There are several others that we know of that are for for sale and may be lucky enough to find a buyer before too long.

— CT —

Another notice received here is that the American Opinion Book Store and Library will close its doors January 31, due to the building being leased to other parties. Whether they will reopen again is a question of available room.

— CT —

Christmas business for some has been reported to be off as much as 22 per cent. If this be true then many of us will be scratching for any saving that we have put away in a brave attempt to keep going.

— CT —

If merchants have not fully realized, and we be-

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FIRE SIDE
By One of the Boys

Despite the flu bug, the Firefighters ended up the year 1968, happy and in good spirits. Their annual New Year's Party, held this year at St. Rita's, was as usual a real ball, so everything will now settle down until the retirement dinner to be held for Bobby Clark, now scheduled for February 8, also at St. Rita's.

— SMVFD —

At this writing, and we still have a couple of hours to go, Fire Suppression and Fire Prevention had a very busy year. Suppression answered 71 alarms and Fire Prevention took care of 82 calls. Last year the combined total was 123. Fire losses this year will be also ahead of last year, but the annual report is not ready as yet.

— SMVFD —

All in all the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters feel that they have had a fairly successful year. A new member William Herold was sworn in last Friday, making a total of four new members in the past two months, bringing the total now to 26. Thirty is the capacity of the department; this being set by the City Council.

Chief Charley Brown had handed out the new Crew Schedules for the first three months of this year, brother — did he ever shake 'em up. This is really good, it brings into contact different ideas on fire fighting and under different leadership. And this is what often happens under actual fire fighting. Firefighters must learn to work under all leaders, and know their methods and their wishes, so that under actual working conditions, time is not lost in misunderstanding.

— SMVFD —

I was quite amused at a picture I saw the other day in the daily newspapers. In fact, after I looked it over carefully I could not help but laugh right out loud. The picture showed a building afire in the New England States with the temperature at 27 degrees below zero, and the firefighters attempting to extinguish the blaze.

— SMVFD —

What a hello of a time John Buchan would have in

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Parks and Recreation Anonunces Start of Winter Programs

Winter Program

Registration for Sierra Madre Recreation Department winter programs begins this week at the City Hall at 55 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Registration will be taken daily from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Saturday, January 11 and 18 from 9 a.m. until noon. Programs will be offered in the following areas: Ballet, Puppet Workshop, Nature Study, Children's Tennis Lessons, Girl's Basketball, Adult Tennis Lessons, Women's Slim & Swim Class, Business Men's Swim & Jog Class, Men's Swim & Jog Class, Adult Swim & Stay Fit Class, Adult Swim Lessons, Adult & Teen Light Opera Class, Flowers are Fun Class and Competitive Swimming. Classes are limited and on a first come first serve basis. For further information as to dates, times and fees, pick up your Recreation Guide at the Recreation Department or call 355-7136.

Band Begins Practice

The Sierra Madre Concert Band will begin practice on Tuesday, January 14th at Sierra Mesa School at 160 N. Canon. The Concert Band will meet every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Under the direction of Mr. Dana Moffat, the band will begin practice for the coming spring and summer "Concert Under the Stars" series. Anyone who plays musical instruments and is interested should come to the first session of practice. For further information contact the Recreation Department at 355-7135.

Auditions

The Recreation Department Light Opera Association will hold auditions for Franz Lehar's "Merry Widow." Tryouts will be on Saturday, January 11 from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Park House at Memorial Park at the corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. and Hermosa in Sierra Madre. Auditions will be taken for lead parts, second parts and chorus. The Light Opera Association is under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. William Pirigyi. For further information contact the Recreation Department at 355-7135.

Begins Nature Study

The Recreation Department will begin the long sought after Nature Study Class this month. The class will be held on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. at Bailey Canyon Park. Registration for the class is presently being taken at the City Hall. The fee for the eight week class is $5. The class is for boys and girls ages 6 and over. The class will include the study of insects, reptiles, amphibians, birds, plants and the general ecology of Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park. The class is limited and on a first come first serve basis. For further information call the Recreation Department at 355-7135.

Ballet Class - Puppet Workshop

The Recreation Department will offer two 10 week cultural classes for youth. The Ballet Class will be held both on Mondays at Sierra Mesa School and on Wednesdays at the City Hall. The classes will include beginning instruction in the art of ballet. The Puppet Workshop Class will be held at the Memorial Park House on Tuesdays. The class will include the making and use of puppets and will conclude with a puppet show. The above classes will cost $5 for 10 weeks and will be under the direction of Mrs. Jeanine Bowen. Classes are limited and on first come first serve basis. For further information contact the Recreation Department at 355-7135.

Swim & Jog Classes

The Recreation Department will offer physical fitness classes for both men and women. Women's classes will include two Slim and Swim classes. The daytime class will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30

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Elementary School Menu

35c TRAY LUNCH

Jan. 13 - 17, 1969

Monday — Chopped steak gravy over rice, celery sticks, rosy applesauce, raisin batter bread and butter, and milk.

Tuesday — Hamburger with spread, buttered mixed vegetables, cheese square, apricots, and milk.

Wednesday — Chili beans, buttered carrots, chocolate cake, French bread and butter, and milk.

Thursday — Lasagne, stir fry celery, bananas, bread and butter, and milk.

Friday — Oven grilled fish with tartar sauce, mixed green salad, red jello cubes, yeast biscuit and butter, and milk.

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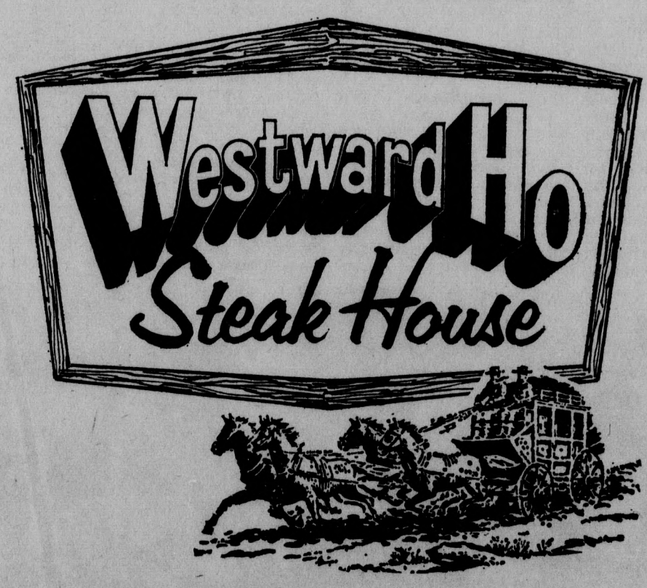

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Secretaries Plan Monthly Meeting

The Pasadena Chapter of the National Secretaries Association (International) will hold its regular monthly dinner meeting at a nearby restaurant on January 9.

"Of Time and the Valley," a unique slide and sound presentation outlining the history of the San Gabriel Valley, its communities, and its people, will be presented by Mr. Douglas G. Ranney of Pacific Telephone.

The Valley's story begins with early Indian settlements, continues through the Spanish era, the Mexican conflict, the days of the American pioneers, up to modern-day institutions like Caltech and the world-famous Jet Propulsion Laboratories.

The program also presents a look at little known San Gabriel Valley stories such as the Mt. Lowe excursion, the poppy fields that became a city, the accidental fortune of "Lucky" Baldwin, the first transcontinental airplane flight and an early, but ill-fated, freeway.

The social hour will be at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Anyone wishing to make a reservation call Mrs. Laura Gaffney, 799-6857.

Women's Club Holds First Meet

George Goulding, a pianist with a national reputation, who gave his first concert at age 11, gave a concert at the Sierra Madre Woman's Club at their January 8 meeting.

Goulding made his debut in 1954 in New York, winning approval of the critics. He appeared in cities throughout the United States and Central America.

The executive board of the Woman's Club met at 10 a.m. and the business meeting was held at 11 a.m. The lunch and entertainment program followed.

On Friday evening, December 27, Mr. and Mrs. William Nels of Sierra Madre, were the guests of Gilbert and Lois Yorba for dinner at the Yorba home and afterwards on the Christmas Home Tour sponsored by the Sierra Madre Hospital Auxiliary. At the last home on the tour, the home of the Jack Tilleys on Rancho Road, guests were served champagne punch and 'goodies.' Yummm . . . all thoughts of starting the New Year out right with a diet seem far away right now . . . at least for me! How about you?

Sierra Madre Woman's Club Sends Gifts

Navajo Indian children received Christmas gifts from Sierra Madre Woman's Club members. The gifts were taken to the Arizona Reservation after being collected at the December 11 meeting of the local club.

Each gift was wrapped for Christmas with the age and sex of the recipient on the outside of the package. Mrs. Marjory Gainder, a teacher from Los Angeles, handled the distribution of the gifts.

Mrs. Gainder explained the problems of the Indian during the business meeting. She has been interested in Indian affairs, and has taken an active part in programs contributing to their welfare.

Mrs. Henry Wade Sr., Woman's Club president, was in charge of the meeting.

Recreation Center

165 or 64.5 per cent no). Lampman and Associates are planning to mail additional surveys out to property owners who did not respond to the first questionnaire during the month of January. A report will be made as responses are tabulated.

Auburn Avenue

Preliminary drawings for the reconstruction of Auburn Avenue are being completed by City Engineer Leon Martin. Plans for a new water line to be constructed in conjunction with the project are also nearing completion. Letters have been sent to property owners on Auburn Avenue informing them of the public hearing before the Council on January 14 to discuss, among other things, the desirability of removal and replacement of street trees necessitated by the installation of sidewalks as part of the street's reconstruction. In the notification letter we have also mentioned the possibility of the formation of an underground utilities district which would be possible only if sufficient interest is expressed on the part of the property owners.

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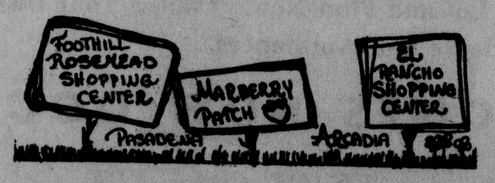

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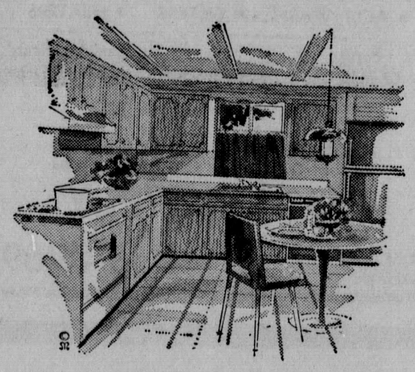

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Captain Bryce Tyler was injured on the call, and suffered a badly sprained ankle. He was escorting the hose to the scene of the fire and evidently made a misstep onto the rose, turning his ankle. He was taken to St. Luke for x-ray and will be hobbling for the next week or two.

Stephen Long Has Graduated

Airman First Class Stephen A. Long, son of Mrs. Miriam M. Long of 38 W. Grandview Ave., has been graduated from a U.S. Air Force technical school at Goodfellow AFB, Texas.

He was trained as a communications analysis specialist and has been assigned to Karamursel, Turkey.

The airman, a graduate of St. Francis High School, Watsonville, attended Pasadena City College.

Services Held For Maybelle Black

Services were held Friday at 3 p.m. January 3, for Maybelle G. Black, age 70, of 25 Grove Lane, who passed away suddenly on December 31.

She came to California from North Carolina 26 years ago and moved directly to Sierra Madre. She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, Rosswell Black Jr. of Hacienda Heights, and William L. Black of East Lansing, Mich. and one daughter Mrs. Marjorie L. Graham of West Booth Bay Harbor, Maine.

Services were held in the Ripple Mortuary Chapel with William L. Black officiating. Committal was private at the Pasadena Mausoleum.

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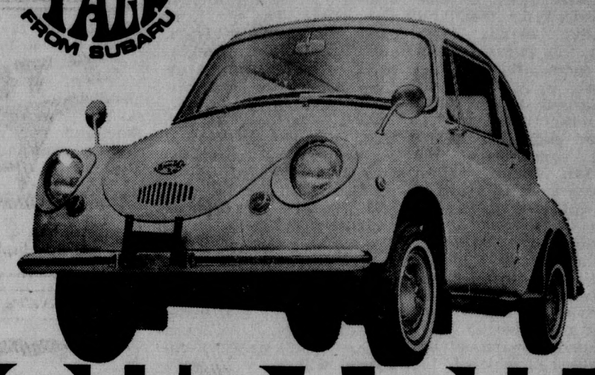

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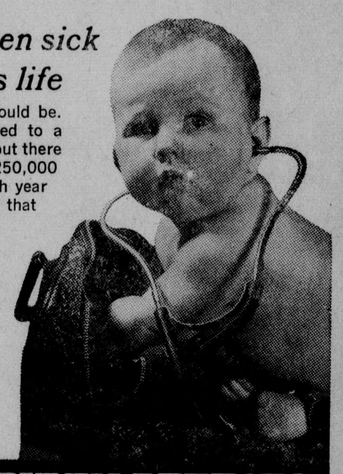

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Musical Comedy Star and Operatic performer, Frank Sorell, will again become "Alessandro" for the third consecutive season when the Ramona Pageant characters come alive for the 42nd year in April of 1969. The poignant story of Helen Hunt Jackson's "Ramona" is portrayed each year by the faithful residents of the Hemet-San Jacinto valley, who come from all walks of life to volunteer their services in every facet of the production. The historical drama unfolds in a unique natural amphitheater in the foothills south of Hemet. The Hemet-San Jacinto area itself is a picturesque valley surrounded by mountains, the highest of which is the majestic 10,831 foot San Jacinto mountain.

Indian legend has it that once you have lived in the shadow of that mountain you will one day return to live there again.

Open auditions for the title role of Ramona for the 1969 season are to be held on Saturday and Sunday, February 8 and 9 at the Ramona Bowl. On the same dates, auditions will also be held for all other speaking parts — which custom decrees belong to local residents only.

Maurice Jara and his wife Hilda will direct the play for the second consecutive year. Jara portrayed the role of Alessandro for 15 years, and Mrs. Jara has been associated with the production for many years, including assisting former directors. They bring authenticity and a sensitive depth of perception to the play that makes the story live.

The performances this season will be on Saturday and Sunday afternoons at 2:30, April 26, 27, May 3, 4, 10 and 11.

The Ramona Bowl has 6,012 seats, all reserved, and nearly every performance in recent years has been sold out. Therefore, General Manager Willard Councilman suggests that ticket orders be sent as soon as possible to the Ramona Pageant Association, at P.O. Box 755, Hemet, Calif. 92343, in order to avoid disappointment. Prices range from $2.50 to $4.

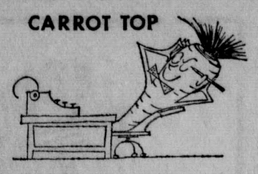
Any further information regarding the auditions or tickets may be obtained by writing to the above address or by telephoning 714-658-3111.

Pvt. M. Tancrell Finishes Training

Army Private Michael Tancrell, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Tancrell, 205 San Gabriel Court, completed eight weeks of advanced infantry training December 12 at Fort Ord, Calif.

He received specialized instruction in small unit tactics and in firing such weapons as the M-16 rifle, the M-60 machine gun and the 3.5 inch rocket launcher.

CARROT TOP



Fire Side

lieve they have, people just do not have the money to spend that a lot of think they have. Increased costs of living, increase in taxes have drained away many savings during the past year and will continue to drain it away in the months ahead.

— CT —

Many families that have in the past been "moont lighting" jobs, that is a second job, now find that their extra revenue has been steadily eaten away. Some of them now are not only "moonlighting" but have had to require their wives to go to work to keep ahead of the game. Now wives are also moonlighting in an attempt to keep the family on a solvent basis.

— CT —

One cannot help but wonder about the Senior Citizen, the one that has a fixed income, and no way to increase their revenues except by Social Security. Their gallant attempt to keep their homes is nothing short of miraculous.

— CT —

All of this seems rather bleak and bad, is there anything "good" in store for the coming year . . . And I guess we will have to say there is; what is bad for some is always good for others . . . To be alive and living in the United States with opportunities is a very good point. To have our health so that we can work at several jobs is another good point. There are many good things in store for all of us, but we have to look for them individually. On the whole there will be very little that will be good for the masses. And that is the way we look at it from where we sit. Maybe 365 days from now we will look back and decide that things were not so bad as they are going to be . . . who knows?

— CT —

Anyway, as we enter the new year, we all enter it together, we will fight for each other, the best way that we know. We will live together, and although many of us will not be together the entire year, many of us will be left to carry on when new years are entered upon.

— CT —

In closing the column for this week let us quote you a portion of a release coming out of Washington, D.C., which stated in part . . . "We wonder how many businesses . . . are going to be able to stand the increases confronting us. Many publications and numerous other business may be in the 'red' by late 1970 according to management consultant reports released here recently" . . . which we add . . . It can be stopped, I hope, I hope, I hope.

utes and the icicles would be hanging from his beard to the ground. And that is just the way it is. On our own department we have several firefighters who have experience in fighting fires in sub-zero weather. There is George Maurer, from New Jersey; Canadians, Len Hall, Neil Smith, and Evans, from the mid-west. They can all tell you of experiences where the water left the hose and hit the buildings as ice cubes.

— SMVFD —

In those places they have fire hydrants which are self draining and they pour some antifreeze in them in the winter time. They tell of the spray blowing back on them and hanging from their helmets like a ten ton weight. And each of them will tell you that Fire alone is enough to tangle with but when you add sub-zero weather and ice to the team, it's no fun buddy; it really is no fun at all.

— SMVFD —

Anyway, that is why most of us moved to California, so we could fight fires without ice. See you when the horn blows all during 1969.

Alpha Phis To Hear All About Narcotics

Sergeant Neal Johnson of the Arcadia Police Department will be the guest speaker at the Pasadena Alpha Phi Alumnae meeting to be held Wednesday, January 15, at the home of Mrs. Robert Campoy, 1518 Rodeo Road, Arcadia, starting at 7:45 p.m.

The topic of his discussion will be "Narcotics." He will present examples of some of the drugs and relate information concerning these drugs and our young people. This is a problem of constant concern to all parents and Sergeant Johnson has a wide knowledge of his subject.

All Alpha Phis in the area are encouraged to be present for this very informative meeting.

Belated birthday wishes to Mrs. Katherine Sorensen who's birthday was on December 26. May we take this opportunity to not only wish Mrs. Sorensen a late happy birthday, but a happy, happy new year for her and her loved ones! A very lovely and gracious lady.

Check Gas Heaters For Faulty Vents

Faulty gas heaters have caused the deaths of 11 person in Los Angeles County this year, according to Health Officer Dr. Gerald A. Heidbreder. Seven of the deaths were caused by a vented heater and at least four from unvented heating equipment.

The latest county deaths — seven members of the Thomas Cruz family in El Monte — were the result of an improperly maintained vented heater, Dr. Heidbreder said. "The County Health Department investigation showed that the vent had become dislodged and the flame in the Cruz heater was not burning completely."

"Thus, the carbon monoxide produced by the improperly burning flame was recirculated into the house by the faulty vent," he added.

"The tragic thing about such deaths is that they could be prevented if residents would have their heaters serviced annually before using the equipment," Dr. Heidbreder said.

No physical signs of faulty heaters need be visible, he noted, but sooting, a pungent odor when the heater is turned on and sick animals or birds are often present. "The only way to be sure the heater is operating correctly is to have a heating contractor, plumber or the gas company check the equipment," Dr. Heidbreder stressed.

The health officer said the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are often mistaken for food poisoning but such signs disappear when the victim goes into fresh air in gas poisoning.

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Villa Views

By Toni Maurin

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Boy, there is nothing like a little Christmas undecorating to make you realize just what you need around the house to make it bright and new again.

My husband kind of tends to let me keep the decorations till along about Easter because he knows the minute the last bauble is wrapped away in paper and the last piece of tinsle has been swept out from under the rug I start getting restless and want to tear everything apart and start repainting and papering.

It is a very bad time of year. He feels if he can get me through this crucial time with the low winter sun beating in to maginify all the little defects like the crumbling walls and the sagging ceilings he might stand a chance for another year of peace and quiet. He seems to feel that I rather exaggerate some of these little details.

The truth of the matter is that I really, down deep, have a true soul of an artist and I love to paint. That is well and good but the family feels that if I am going to paint our walls then I really should paint the whole wall and not use it as a backdrop for one of my artistic creations. And there you see another frustration born right before your eyes.

This year, though, I am going to be neat about the things that we want to do around the house (using the editorially "we"). There is something so comforting about making a list and checking things off as they are accomplished. Having tried the loose casual approach to getting things done I have decided that this is the only way to fly. I needn't tell you that already in just a week three lists have disappeared right while I was working on them and not a trace has ever been found. Do you suppose I have someone subversive in my very own group? ? ? ?

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This was a most unusual New Year. We had magnificent weather in our own home town and even better weather for the skiers around the state. The Kenneth Christiansons, Ken, Peg, Kip, and Kim, left the day after Christmas for Mammoth. Peg was reluctant to have Christmas be over with such a bang so she took a portable Christmas tree along with her in order to extend the holiday. It was so crowded in Mammoth this year, they all went over to June Lake to ski.

They kept running into (literally speaking) to people from the hill. The Ray Andersons were up there with Jepp, Craig, Bruce and Sara Lee, plus a couple of house guests.

The Warren Bacons, the John Hedricks, and Charles Goldsworthys were all skiing as Aspen as well as the Bob Snetsinger family.

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On the home front the weather was ideal for both the parade and the game. It was the first time we had been to the Rose Bowl and I must admit that we found it most intriguing. Where but in Pasadena would you find people picnicing in the parking lot, which truthfully was a golf course. By picnicing, it was strictly Pasadena variety with a card table, lovely linen cloth, silver candelabras and silver chafing dish and wine bucket all being hauled out of the trunk of the car as if it were the most common place thing to do on a Wednesday afternoon.

Coming out of the game in defeat did not seem to dampen the hostess spirit because there were post game parties of the same variety as we returned to the car.

I'd like to say one word for the Tournament committee. It was a great big wonderful job well done.

As far as the police department is concerned. They were absolutely just great all of the way. They were kind and courteous against great odds.

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Bill and Nona Hemminger were among the local New Year's Eve hosts. They invited a few friends in for

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As Hank Ives Sees It

SMORGASBORD . . .

HOW ABOUT SOME RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR? Like someone giving Joe Frazier a chance to fight Jimmy Ellis and prove he is really the legitimate heavyweight champ.

ARNOLD PALMER promising to regain his golfing form and spend less time on such bothersome things as making money.

JACK KENT COOKE offering to buy Chick Hearns a new popcorn machine. The other one is really worn out.

CALTECH winning another football game in 1969. Their 34-31 triumph over University of San Diego snapped a 36 game losing skein. Tom Burton receiving and making good as a pro quarterback.

WILLIE SHOEMAKER promising to return to his always winning form. Shucks he might still win the riding title at Santa Anita.

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RICK BARRY a speedy recovery from his knee injury. Super Oak is one of the most exciting basketball players Old Hankus has ever seen.

BILL VANBREDA KOLFF getting along with Wilt.

OLD HANKUS resolves to do much better in his annual prognostications. I mean Cincinnati and the California Angels didn't exactly burn up the baseball leagues. In football he won't even brag about a 70 per cent picking chart based on 135 wins, 57 wrong guesses and six ties.

HANKUS ALSO RESOLVES to get off to a good start with his Super Bowl pick of BALTIMORE 38, New York Jets 17. The Colts are just slightly mortal and have a defense that is even superior to Merlin Olson, Deacon Jones and Company. Earl Morrall will cap one of the all-time comeback stories with a brilliant passing game to outshine Broadway Joe Namath. The Jet QB has a great afternoon with 21 completions in 39 attempts but has three picked off and spend much of his time on the seat of his pants.

HANKUS RESOLVES to (a) pick a daily double at Santa Anita, at least once; (b) make basketball predictions that will find his choices at least finishing in the first division; (c) beating the heck out of 7-10 won-loss log on '69 bowl games.

AND — not telling stories like this one: Hear about the coach who had an awful time remembering names? He got it all straightened out when he took that fellow Sam Carnegie's course.

OR — Of all the birds
and flying things
I'd rather be a bee
I'd file my stinger needle
sharp
and jab the referee.

I WONDER IF SPORTS FANS in communist countries get the same kind of a feeling when their National Anthem is played at a sports event? I got a lump in my throat that wouldn't quit just before the start of the Rose Bowl Game. What an impressive sight, with over 100,000 fans singing the Anthem and waving American Flags. Somehow it makes it all worth while.

AMONG LAST YEAR ATHLETIC MEMORIES: Bob Beamon's unbelievable long jump at Mexico City rates mighty high. USC's great comeback against Notre Dame. The disappointment that came with the foolish actions of John Carlos and Tommie Smith on the victor's stand. UCLA's loss at Houston and their return battle at the Sports Arena that was strictly "no contest." Just a few sports happenings in 1968. We'll give it a full review next week.

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What a powerful advantage the internationalists have in the election of members to the U.S. Congress. With their absolute control of both political parties they can heavily finance a liberal internationalist, as a Democrat or Republican, so what chance has a conservative in either party. The recent election results proved this point to be a fact, countrywide. Mr. Nixon does not mind this situation, as he is an ardent internationalist, therefore he supports the internationalists in both parties, as per the appointment of Democrats, Dr. Henry Kissinger, Sargent Shriver, and Charles Yost.

Despite this dual role Mr. Nixon puts on a respectable Republican front when meeting the public. Nevertheless, Mr. Nixon has acquired the dubious distinction of being the first President since Zachary Taylor (1848), not to carry at least one house in the new U.S. Congress, in his own party's favor. This means very little today as both parties are controlled by the internationists, who in turn control the entire U.S. Government. Hence the dire and urgent need for a third or anti- internationalist political party.

— R. C. Schwab

Christmas Day guests at Russ and Madeline Anderson's on Foothill Avenue were her father, Mr. Frank Kempton of Watsonville and Russ' father, Mr. Henry Anderson of Alhambra and Russ' uncle, Mr. William "Bill" Anderson of Pasadena. After dinner, Madeline took the three children, 13 year old Tim, 9 year old Gary, and 7 year old Laurie, over to her sister and brother-in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Clase, in San Gabriel. After a gift exchange and a quick visit between the three Anderson children with their three Clase cousins, they returned home. Now all down, except for Gary, with the flu, you might say "Is that any way to start a New Year?" I should say not! Get well quickly, all of you!

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LOTS OF NEW YEAR'S STUFF . . .

ON THE GEORGE ALLEN THING . . . More than likely Dan Reeves goofed with his sudden dismissal of Allen. He did develop a winner and surely local fans will be anti-Reeves next season. On the other hand, the talent remains and there are plenty of good coaches around. Can you really imagine all of those Rams retiring because their coach is fired? Come on now.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH the idea of Vin Scully for baseball commissioner? Vin is just the type that is needed. A man of character, imagination, honor and above all, a baseball man. Scully probably would not be interested. He's in good shape financially and more than anything wants to spend some time with his family. Yet the idea is an intriguing one.

THE JONES BOYS are really something in the ABA. James and Steve are a pair of backcourt whizes for the New Orleans Bucs and Larry is the star of the Denver Rockets.

MERV JACKSON AND WARREN DAVIS would appear to have the best shots at representing the L.A. Stars in the ABA All-Star game in Louisville, Jan. 28. Look for KTTV to carry the game live. It should be a dandy with Rick Barry on the West quintet and Connie Hawkins the East.

HERES A GOOD LINE: Billy Grabarkwitz, a young shortstop hopeful with the Dodgers suffered a broken nose, broken finger, broken wrist and broken ankle while playing for Albuquerque. "I've been x-rayed so much," he said, "I glow in the dark."

JACK KENT COOKE'S ban on boxing at the Forum didn't last long. Next fistic attraction is slated for Jan. 24 with Ruben Olivares opposing Won Suk Ye of Seoul. They may have to call out the National Guard for that one.

BASEBALL STAT . . . The Dodgers were the stingiest team in the N.L. at allowing home runs last season. And the fences were the furthest. Wait till next year.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE to earn just one per cent of the money that is gambled on horse racing each year? The U.S. figures totaled more than 10 figures, $4,976,661,116 to be exact. Let's see, Hankus must have contributed . . . forget it.

NEXT TO VIN SCULLY, wouldn't Hank Greenberg or John McHale be top Czar choices? Both good baseball men.

IF YOU GET UP EARLY in the morning you can stop by Santa Anita for the A.M. workouts that start each day at 8.

OLD HANKUS likes Proper Proof in next Saturday's Malibu Handicap over the 7-furlong distance.

MAN WITH HAND ON TV KNOB TO WIFE: "Martha, do you have anything to say before the football season starts?"

WONDER HOW MANY TV tuners went on the blink last Sunday. Frantic hands changing channels between the two pro playoff games.

THE CONSENSUS ALL-AMERICA is the one that really counts. That would show Notre Dame's Jim Seymour, Ron Sellers of Florida State as receivers, with Ted Kwalick of Penn State at tight end. Dave Foley, Ohio State and George Kunz, Notre Dame at tackles, Tennessee's Charles Rosenfelder and Colorado's Mike Montler at guards with John Didion of Oregon State at center.

Terry Hanratty, O. J. Simpson, and Leroy Keyes round out the offensive unit.

On DEFENSE it would be Miami's Ted Hendricks and John Zook, Kansas at ends, Bill Stanfil, Georgia, Ed White, California and Joe Greene, No. Texas State, in the interior. Linebackers are Dennis Onkotz, Penn State, Chuck Kyle, Purdue and Steve Kiner, Tennessee. Deep backs: Roger Wehrli, Missouri, Jack Scott, Georgia and Al Worley, Washington. That's the team that really counts.

IF ALL THE 9.5 football speedsters were laid end to end, some would be lying more than others.

You and Your Neighbor

The James (Rosemary) Abernethy family of San Gabriel Court spent a family Christmas with just family this year. This would include Jim (18), Stephen (16), Mark (13) and John (9). If all went wall, and no one came down with anything, James and Rosemary attended both the Parade and the Rose Bowl.

In the Couple-of-Late-Birthday-Wishes Department, our greetings go to Stephen, who turned 16 on November 30th and to Mark, who celebrated his 13th on December 5.

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Sensing . . .

but true that some people in this country want a free ride and seek to live a comfortable life at the expense of the taxpayers.

Mr. Finch certainly should move quickly, once he is in office, to shelve the Cohen plan and then to review the entire field of welfare aid so as to discourage the "handout hounds" who are so numerous. He faces a major problem of analysis, however, as under the Great Society the federal welfare establishment has swollen to 250 separate programs, 107,000 employees and an annual budget of about $50 billion. Once his analysis is completed, however, he will have to use a budgetary axe to slash the waste.

In the meantime, conservative reform of HEW and other departments will be facilitated by new public understanding of the importance of personal independence and local initiative.

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Dear Editor:

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With best wishes for a heartwarming holiday.

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You and Your Neighbors

by NANCY BRYAN

Don't know how Jerry and Marion Adkins do it! Talk abont busy, community involvement and such . . . . that's the Adkins! Jerry's independent insurance agency in Arcadia opened in April, so naturally he's quite busy with that. (Marian is also a qualified insurance agent.) Then both are involved with the Baseball Association; Jerry is handling the publicity for the "Pony Colt League" (13 and 14 year old boys) this season and Marion is president of the Baseball Auxiliary and took office in October and both worked in the Little League Christmas Tree Lot along with members of their family. Also on the ways and means committee for our Rose Float, Marion did her share selling the plastic roses and helping to build the float. Jerry a member of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association, was on duty all night on New Year's Eve and during the parade was on duty — in his white suit — in the area of Madison Street and Colorado Boulevard. The two of them were co-chairmen for the Rose Float Open House held the Sunday before Christmas. It was a huge success and attended by many, including honored guests, her highness the Rose Queen, Mr. Payne, president of the Tournament of Roses Association and several members of the board.

Two of the Adkins three sons — Joe Allen, a tenth grader at PHS and Roese Allen, who attends Wilson Jr. High — rode the Sierra Madre Float along with eight other local boys and girls. Before we forget, happy birthday to Reese, who was 14 on December 28. (What a time to have a birthday, right?) Incidently, somehow we forgot to wish a happy birthday to Lynden Adkins, who celebrated his 10th birthday on November 7 . . . So, happy late birthday greetings to you Lynden!

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Mr. and Mrs. Lester D. Bodine spent the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. N. W. Tarr at the family home on West Montecito Avenue. The Bodines live at Mineral, California, where he is Chief Ranger for Lassen Volcanic National Park. While in the Southland the Bodines visited with his brother, Bennhard at San Pedro and with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Harfman of Suffolk Avenue in Sierra Madre. All are former Sierra Madreans.

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Boy, oh boy! That La Lone Clan! On the Sunday before Christmas about 43 of them got together at the Long Beach home of Charles and Frances (nee La Lone) Finley for a Christmas Tree party. A wonderful time included a delicious dinner and a gift exchange from a name drawing. Christmas Day saw about only (get that, 'only') 20 of the clan meeting for dinner at the Finley home with the dinner prepared by Frances and her sister, Alice McCaron of San Francisco. Needless to say, it was all lots of fun! Bless you all, and a Happy New Year!

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Guests for the day and for traditional Christmas Dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Betty Jean) Patterson at 454 Manzanita were: Betty Jean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Askew; Betty Jean's sister, Mrs. Helen Pennington and daughter, Linda; Richard's father, Mr. Richard Patterson, Dr. and his wife; and Richard's brother, Mr. Ernest Patterson. Greg (16), Pat (13) and Mike (10) were present to help mother and father host the day. Happy New Year to all!

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Arnold arrived from their home in Salt Lake City Monday before New Year's to spend some time with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce (Mabel) Arnold of Pine Bluff Drive. Wonder if they decided to brave the crowds and see the Rose Parade 'in persons'??

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Mrs. Kerr, of San Francisco, is spending the holiday season with her brother and sister-in-law, Lawrence and Marie Appleford of Mariposa Ave. New Years Day they all attended the Rose Parade and the Rose Bowl . . . That is really a long and full day, but well worth it. The Appleford's son Steve, who lives in Pasadena spent Christmas Day with his parents as did other son, Tom and his wife, Larlene and four year old Robbie. Tom and his family live in Reseda. Best wishes to all for the coming year!

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The Ben Rogers had the Andy Karaparos family down from Yuba City as end of year guests. It is the first time they had ever seen the parade in person and it was a mighty big thrill for their children, Nina, Nan, and Kurt.

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The Dom Giangregorios had a wonderful Christmas this year. They spent it in Honolulu, with two of their sons, Greg and Grant, two aunts, Mrs. Ely (Rose) Larsen of Oregon, and Mrs. Roy ("Chotsie") Hamlett, and Pat's step-father, Mr. Tommy Quinn.

This has been a dream to take her family to the islands and it was so much fun for them all. The boys surfed from early morning till night and the aunts had a wonderful time just exploring the island. One of the highlights of the trip was to go up and see the annual surfing championship that is held every year between the two holidays.

Population

during the period largely as the result of the incorporation of Carson.

Sierra Madre maintained its 61 place among the 77 cities of Los Angeles County, but still showed a gain in population of 235 since July 1, 1968, now standing with a total population of 12,171, approximately a 2 per cent gain. In 1960 the population of our city was 9,732, showing a gain of approximately 20 per cent of the 8½ years.

Dwelling units also showed a nice increase, now standing at 4,496, an increase of almost 2 per cent. In 1960 the dwelling units stood at 3613 so the increase since that time is approximately 23 per cent in the 8½ years.

Search Team

at about 2:45 that afternoon and returned to his mother at the campground.

The victim had faired the weather quite well, considering that all he was wearing was a light shirt and slacks and light desert shoes. The temperatures had dropped to 30 degrees at night and the high was 68. Aside from a few blisters, and being tired Kyle was in fine shape.

Assisting in the search were the reserve posse of Inyo County, Park Service personnel, and a helicopter from the China Lake Naval Warfare Research Center.

Senior Citizens

Crouchley.

She accepted the office and gave a beautiful prayer, "A Prayer of Peace."

The meeting was adjourned and cards followed.

Services For Eva Frank

Services were held Thursday, January 2, for Mrs. Eva Christine Frank, age 79 years, who passed away December 29, 1968 in the Parkwood Convalescent Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was a housewife at her home on West Highland. She came to California 28 years ago from New York, and lived that time in Sierra Madre.

She leaves to mourn her passing a son, Richard W. Frank of New York. Services were in the Ripple Mortuary with Mr. John Richards in charge. Interment was in Live Oak Cemetery in Monrovia. Ripple Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Rose Pruning Tips At Park

There will be a Rose Pruning Demonstration held at Arcadia Park open free to the public on Sunday, January 5, at 1:30 p.m.

The demonstration will take place at the Arcadia Park Rose Garden on the corner of Huntington Drive across from the Chamber of Commerce office. For additional information call the park at 445-9133.

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Rev. Anderson's Sermon: 'The Great Land Lord'

The Rev. Richard J. Anderson of Sierra Madre Congregational Church, 170 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., will have for his sermon title Sunday at 11 a.m., "The Great Land Lord."

In commenting on his chosen topic, Rev. Anderson says: "When this life is all over and each of us gets a chance to turn around and look back and see how we lived in light of eternity, it will be an eye opener to say the least. A verse from the Old Testament will impress itself upon our minds with great force: 'The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein.'

"We will be amazed to see how much of our time, effort and energy we spent trying to acquire a price of this earth when all along it didn't belong to us anyway. One thing is obvious, man didn't create himself nor the earth. This life isn't a time to make a mad scramble for 'squatter's rights'.

"Now is the time to meet and get to know the great Land Lord. We are living in his world. We can't buy it nor keep it if we could. We have been given the privilege of living here for a short time. We not only live in the Lord's World, we ourselves belong to him. The passage says: '. . . . the world and they that live therein'."

Pastor Anderson concludes with: "Getting to know and love the great Land Lord starts as we acknowledge that even we belong to Him."

Attend the church of your choice every Sunday.

Margaret Stevens Announces Sunday Topic

"What the Santa Anita Church Teaches" is the title of the sermon-lesson to be given by Margaret M. Stevens, minister of The Santa Anita Church, 226 W. Colorado Blvd., in Arcadia, at 11 a.m. on January 12. All are invited to join them in the worship service. Infant and child care is provided during the service.

Children from pre-school through ninth grade go to their respective graded classes after a 15 minute worship service in the sanctuary at 11 a.m. every Sunday. High school youths and young adults hold their meetings on the first and third Sundays at 7 p.m.

All women are invited to attend a class on successful living conducted by Rev. Stevens each Thursday morning at 11 a.m. Rev. Stevens says, "Plan to stay for the prgoram which follows."

A new series starting January 15 at 7:30 p.m. and continuing for four consecutive weeks will be led by Beverlee Kelley at the church. "The series will be entitled 'Peace of Mind for Parents.' We feel that every parents with children should attend these classes. The fee is $10 for the four weeks," continued Rev. Stevens.

Call 446-8206 for further information regarding other church activities.

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Lesson-Sermon For January 12

A communion service will be held this Sunday in First Church of Christ' Scientist. The service will begin at 10 a.m. and is open to the community.

The Lesson-Sermon is titled "Sacrament," and the Golden Text is from I Samuel: "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams."

Included in the readings is the following reference from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "To keep the commandments of our Master and follow his example, is our proper debt to Him and the only worthy evidence of our gratitude for all that He has done. Outward worship is not of itself sufficient to express loyal and heartfelt gratitude, since He has said: 'If ye love me, keep my commandments'."

Services Held For Minnie Davidson

Mrs. Mnnie S. Davidson, age 86, passed away at Parkwood Convalescent Hospital on January 6 after a lengthy illness.

Services were held on Tuesday, January 7, graveside with Rev. W. H. Maas officiating.

Left to mourn her passing were two sons, Herbert H. Davidson of Sierra Madre and Charles E. Davidson Jr. of San Gabriel, also five grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Interment was in San Gabriel Cemetery. Ripple Mortuary handled all arrangements.

United Church Sunday Sermon Subject: 'Hope'

"Hope For What We Do Not See" will be the sermon given by Rev. Bruce Van Blair at the 11 a.m. worship service for the Sierra Madre United Church of Christ.

The Scripture basis for Sunday's sermon is found in this passage: "But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience." (Roman 8:25 R.S.V.)

The 11 a.m. worship service and 9:30 a.m. church school classes are held at the Altadena Community Church, 943 E. Altadena Drive, Altadena.

The new year of 1969 has in store many activities for the church. If you wish to be apprised of coming events of interest, please call the church office at 798-1185.

Coming up in January is a discussion group gathering on Wednesday, January 15, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Elsa Grijalva, 341 Acacia St. Persons interested in a home church type of gathering are invited to attend, or to phone 355-4370.

Woman's Club To Hold Benefit

The Woman's Club will have their annual benefit luncheon for the "Pennies for Pines" project on January 15 at noon.

Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. C. B. Osborn at 355-3736. Tickets are $1.25, Mrs. Flora Anderson and her committee will be in charge. Members are invited to bring guests to the luncheon with bridge and prizes to follow. The regular executive board meeting will be at 10 a.m., proceding the luncheon.

Bicycle Rodeo To Be Conducted By Police, PTA & Kiwanis Club Jan. 15

The Sierra Madre Police Department, with the help of the Sierra Madre PTA, Kiwanis Club and the California Highway Patrol will again conduct a bicycle rodeo at Sierra Mesa School on January 15 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the school playground. At that time bicycles will be given a mechanical safety examination and children will demonstrate their riding ability and skill. The bicycles will also be licensed by the City License Clerk at this time.

All parents are reminded that bicycles must be licensed by law under the Sierra Madre City Code. The license cost is $1 and need not be renewed as long as ownership is maintained by the person receiving the license. Although the license is required by the City Code, it serves as a means of identification in the event the bicycle is lost or stolen.

Sgt. John M. Samony, Crime Prevention Officer of the Sierra Madre Police Department, is coordinating the rodeo. Assisting Sgt. Samony is Mrs. Walter P. Wesley, PTA Recreation and Safety Chairman, and mothers of Sierra Mesa School children. The Kiwanis Club will conduct safety inspections.

Children from the Sierra Madre School who are attending Don Benito and Field Elementary will attend assemblies on bike safety at those schools through the Pasadena Police Department, and will get their bicycles licensed on the Sierra Madre School playground from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on January 15.

Back To School Monday, Jan. 6

Deborah Cooper, of Sierra Madre, is among the 1,096 new graduates and undergraduates who recently enjoyed a holiday respite following their first quarter of studies at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

One of the newest and the smallest of the nine campuses of the University of California, UCSC resumed instruction for the winter quarter on Monday, January 6.

Income Tax Forms Now In Mail

Nearly six million 1968 State income tax forms are on their way to California taxpayers as the Franchise Tax Board completed its annual mailing on December 30.

Most California taxpayers will receive a packet of materials containing Form 540 and an instruction booklet, said Martin Huff, executive officer. However, if a taxpayer has moved since filing his return last year, he will ont receive his forms directly in the mail and should plan to pick them up at one of the many distribution points located throughout the state.

An additional five million forms are being mailed to banks, chambers of commerce, some U.S. Post Office facilities, and offices of the State Board of Equalization, the State Department of Motor Vehicles, and the State Department of Employment. Taxpayers who do not receive forms directly in the mail may pick them up at the above locations or at any office of the Franchise Tax Board, or upon request, they will be set from the main office at 1025 P Street, Sacramento.

Single persons with an adjusted gross income of $3,250 or more, and married couples with an adjusted gross income of $6,500 or more, are required to file a return.

The filing deadline is April 15, but an early start in preparing returns may be beneficial to the taxpayer, Huff pointed out. It allows him time to double check his figures and compile his records when he is not under pressure of a last minute deadline, he said.

Now's the Time To Plan For Summer Roses

If you want to have beautiful roses in your garden next summer, now is the time to prepare, either by planting new ones or pruning old ones that have grown a little scaggy.

How to prune and how to plant will be the subjects of a series of demonstrations at Descanso Gardens, La Canada, Saturday, January 11, starting at 1:30 p.m. The demonstrations will be conducted by members of the Pacific Rose Society and the Descanso Gardens staff, joint sponsors of the event.

To insure every visitor a ringside seat the Gardens will be divided into 17 work areas in which the experts will demonstrate the pruning of floribunda, hybrid tea, grandiflora, pillar, climbers and tea roses, and the planting of new bare-root roses using bone meal and humisite.

During the afternoon DuWayne Hodge, president of the Rose Society, will emcee a discussion and information session led by a panel of rasarians which will include Joe Littlefield, David Gilfillan and John Waterbury.

Holy Communion At Faith Lutheran

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the 10:30 Sunday morning worship service of Faith Lutheran Church, 845 Hastings Ranch Drive, Pasadena. During the service, the Rev. Armin Hesse will address the congregation on the topic, "What Are You Looking For?" based upon the Scripture, John 1:35-42.

Meeting at 9:15 in the church sanctuary the Adult Bible Class will continue its study on the introduction to the Books of the Bible entitled, "When God Speaks." Dr. Walter Schroeder is the discussion leader. At the same time the youth Bible classes will be continuing with their study of the book, "How to be a Christian without being Religious," while the Sunday school children will hear the story of Adam and Eve in Paradise.

At 1:30 on Sunday afternoon the youth will meet at the church for an outing to the Griffith Park Zoo. Other activities for the week include Sunday school staff meeting and Junior Choir at 7:30 on Tuesday evening; Mid-Week Bible Hour at 7:30 on Wednesday evening followed by Church Council meeting at 8:30; and Senior Choir at 8 on Thursday evening.

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Letters To the Editor . . .

Dear Editor:

This week before Christmas I want to say "Merry Christmas and a happier and better New Year" to a much maligned, often overworked generally underpaid, and on the whole unappreciated group of men and women who are standing in these times particularly on the front lines of our civil and domestic order.

You see them every day. Chances are that even if you do not know one of them personally you have had reason to ask for their help, question them or seek their assistance in some way in the not too distant past — or it may be that one of them has had reason to stop you or seek your cooperation in some way.

Nine times out of ten, if your experience has paralleled mine you have found such a person courteous, efficient, dedicated, hard-working and true to the best traditions of his profession. And yet in recent months no one group in American life has so endured the brunt of severe criticism, scorn, unjust and undue castigation as has this group.

Of course they are not perfect and they do have in their ranks those who rightly deserve to feel the stinging weight of both public and private censure. But enough is enough! And I furthermore feel that as much or more than any other institution in our national life these men and women need to be saluted and appreciated for the 24 hour a day, 7 days a week, month out and month in, almost impossible task to which they have committed themselves.

I sleep better, work more efficiently and feel immeasurably safer because of them.

So, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the men and women of our Police Departments across the nation.

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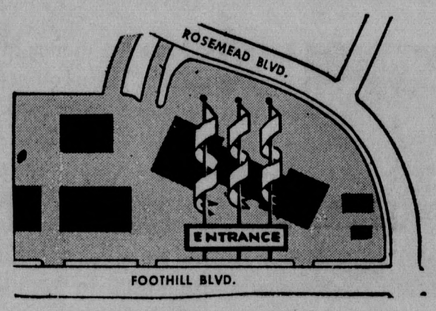

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Begonia Society Plans For Birthday Dinner and Installation of Officers

The 29th Birthday Dinner and Installation of Officers of the San Gabriel Valley Branch of the American Begonia Society will be held at 8526 E. Valley Blvd., Rosemead, January 11. The social hour will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. Dinner will be at 7 p.m.

Mr. Ralph Corwin of Rosemead will be the master of ceremonies for the evening. The installing officers will be the national president of the American Begonia Society, Mr. Walter Pease of Los Angeles.

The elected officers to be installed are as follows: Mrs. John A. Grivich, Arcadia, president; Mr. Robert Wilson, West Covina, vice president; Mrs. Walter Barnett, West Covina, secretary; Mrs. Ethel Talley, Sierra Madre, treasurer; Mrs. Olinda Browne, Alhambra, branch director; Mrs. Peggy McGrath, Whittier, national director.

The program will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Olson of the Los Angeles International Fern Society. They will lecture and show slides of their recent trip to South America.

The purpose of the American Begonia Society is to stimulate and promote interest in Begonias and other shade-loving plants and to bring into friendly contact all who love and grow begonias. The meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at the Los Angeles County Arboretum, Arcadia. All are welcome to attend these meetings.

New Residents Welcomed To S.M.

Among some of the new residents and those changing addresses recently were:

Albert Shore, 232 E. Montecito Ave.; Robert C. Resh, 265 San Gabriel Ct.; C. D. Pearce, 704 Valle Vista Dr.; W. J. Cartwright, 612 Manzanita Ave.; J. N. Dick, Valle Vista Dr.; Raymond Atwan, 71 Victoria Lane; Albert F. Hodson, 101 Colony Dr.; John E. Bryce, 286 E. Grandview Ave.; Robert Perry, 470 E. Grandview Ave.

Also Charles J. Eckenroth, 830 Skyland Dr.; A. Ordway, 121 W. Bonita Ave.; Lawrence Littleton, 536 W. Highland Ave.; George B. Sproul, 25 W. Carter Ave.; Bruce Sparks, 571 N. Hermosa Ave.; Daniel P. Casey, 630 Oak Crest Dr., and Albert Dietrick, 602 N. Michillinda.

G.S. Troop 614 Holds Christmas Tea For Mothers

Girl Scout Troop No. 614 combined a Court of Awards with a Christmas Tea for mothers on Thursday, December 17 at the home of Mrs. Allen Ford. The decorations and tea table as well as the food was prepared by the 25 Scouts with assistance of the Troop Leaders, Mrs. Millard Davidson, Mrs. Robert Riddle and Mrs. Leo Saito.

After the opening flag ceremony, the girls sang several Christmas carols, then presented each mother with a handmade, mosiac decorated, glass candle holder. Santa and "his helper" — Senior Leader Shari Davidson and Barbara Riddle — gave each girl a large candy cane and a special box of raisins to Jody Tomita. Mrs. Davidson presented Merit Badges to the following girls:

Terri Agajanian, Kim Davidson, Wendy Gibbs, Vicky Gray, Kathy Hart, and Karen Haworth. Also, Janice Jenings, Claudia Krajian, Julia Manning, Laura Peters, Katie Reid, Susan Riddle, Betty Saito and Nancy Snedaker.

The color guard returned the colors and everyone enjoyed the lovely homemade cookies and cupcakes with coffee and punch.

Parks and Recreation Announce Programs

a.m. until 11:30 a.m. and the evening class will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The men's classes will be a Business Men's Swim & Jog Class, which will be held on Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. This class is designed so that the business man can take off a few hours to get some exercise each week. The other men's class is an evening Swim & Jog Class. This class will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. All of the above classes last for 10 weeks and cost $5. Classes are limited and on first come first serve basis. For further information contact the Recreation Department at 355-7135. All registrations at City Hall, 55 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Neighbors

Paul and Anne Hart of Landfair have his mother, Mrs. Clarence Hart of Paradise, Calif., for a two or three week visit. For company on the drive down, Mrs. Hart had her Australian Sheepdog along. These grandparents today are really a "swinging group." Anne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis (Margaret) LeRoy of Altadena, left December 9 on a 45 day Pacific cruise aboard the ship, "Mariposa." They are apparently having the time of their lives . . . meeting lots of nice people, attending ship-board parties and activities, seeing those faraway places . . . in other words, a marvelous time. Incidently, one of their fellow passengers happens to be a dear friend of Paul's mother. Just goes to prove, that it's a small world after all! At this writing, the LeRoys are in Australia. A 45-day Pacific Cruise really sounds alright, doesn't it?? Happy New Year!

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Christmas Day for Frank and Gloria Alfery and sons, Steven and Paul, was spent at the home of Frank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Alfery of Sierra Madre. Also present were Frank's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kohler and their three children. A marvelous time for all. Luckily, the flu bug held off until after Christmas and Frank, Gloria and boys are presently recupterating from that 'nasty ole bug.' Happy New Year and hope you're all feeling better by now!

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Harry and Verna Barrett, of Fiske, Saskatchewan, Canada, arrived in this area December 12 to spend the holidays with family and friends. They left their wheat farm in Fiske — a town of about 125 people — on December 9 and stopping first in Minnesota, visited places like the Grand Canyon, Painted Desert and Petrified Forest before arriving here. While here the Barrets stayed with Mrs. Barett's son, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Barrett and 13 year old Elisa and 10 year old Steven at their home in San Dimas. Mrs. Barrett, the late Reg Barrett and their son, Leonard, are all former Sierra Madreans and will be remembered as owners of "Barrett's Nursery" on Mountain Trail. Verna and Leonard ran the nursery alone for about four years after Reg's death and until Verna's marriage to Reg's brother, Harry. Living in Canada must really agree with people if the Barretts are any criterion . . . they looked terrific and it was certainly nice to have a chance to visit with them.

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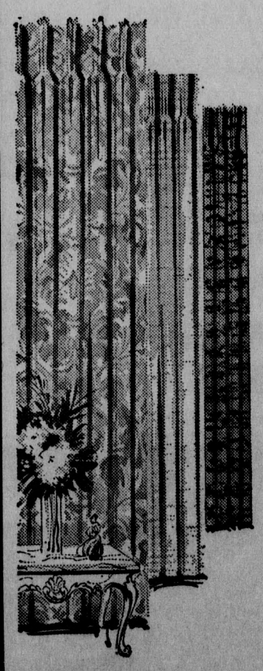

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Editorially.. Speaking

Danger Signals Up

When the world's newspaper headlines herald great events in the field of sports or catastrophe, the average person usually is conversant in a general way with the news. During recent weeks, the headlines have been scraming with news that can directly affect our lives. Yet paradoxically, the average person quickly turns the page, shrugs off the time bomb sitting on his doorstep that may blast his job, his savings and his life to smithereens without his even knowing why. That time bomb, the headlines have been telling about and the workings of which skilled writers seek to reduce to understandable terms, is the growing prospect of worldwide monetary chaos.

U.S. citizens, at least in living memory, have never been forced to suffer the ultimate penalties of monetary collapse, and since the United States is very strong and will remain so into the foreseeable future, they may not be compelled to do so. However, the danger signals are flying, and a general knowledge of events can be helpful, to say the least. France currently is having her money troubles. Prior to that it was Great Britain. Even in our own country, we are not strangers to the monetary weakness that comes with inflation. We have had our consumer striges against rising prices, which is just another way of expressing resentment against the declining value of money.

People have often been at the mercy of governmental leaders in the matter of money. In the olden days, rulers indulged in the practice of clipping gold coins that passed through their treasuries. The coins became worth a little less in the process. Today, the clipping procedure is so sophisticated, and the language of high finance has become so esoteric that rare is the person who understands the devices and expediences of governments to maintain fiscal stability. In the final analysis, there is little reason to trust governments any more today than centuries ago when the wily merchants lived by outwitting wily kings. Even today, we will very likely find that the forces of the free market will prove irresistible as they always have.

An interesting piece in The Wall Street Journal tells how international businessmen and traders are behaving much the same today as in the past. They have businesses to protect, and they do it in the best way they can. The Journal story describes the operations of a Swiss-based, export-import enterpreneur, who has accumulated a fortunte of about a million dollars — a fourth of which he has invested in a hoard of gold. More and more these traders are dealing in gold as they do in any other commodify, except that many of them in this period of monetary instability are retaining gold in their investment portfolios, just as American citizens who are forbidden to hold gold may buy shares of stock on the advice of investment counselors. Irrespective of the desire of some governments to sever any relationship between gold and money, this ancient medium of exchange is stil very much in evidence as a basic arbiter of values.

Commenting editorially on the most recent monetary crisis — this time in France — The Journal observes, ". . . there is ample cause for saying that what really needs reforming is not the international monetary system but the politicians, in France and elsewhere, with their seemingly uncontrollable inflationary bias." In these words dies the crux of the reason for impending monetary chaos. If the people of our nation and other nations could but learn the close relationship between political handouts, inflation and money without value, the odds on the consumer in the race to keep ahead of the Twentieth Century coin clippers would improve considerably.

Those Tax Loopholes

Politicians have been so busy shouting about "tax loopholes," the alleged devices by which taxpayers may escape their fair share of taxes, that little attention has been paid to the fact that there is another kind of tax loophole — wasteful government spending. Politicians would just as soon not talk about the latter. Trough this loophole tax funds drain across the countryside to perpetuate the jobs of office holders. Take just one instance — the expanding federal grants-in-aid programs.

There are 400 separate congressional authorizations for grants-in-aid machinery, administered by 18 federal departments and agencies. Grants-in-aid expenditures have risen from $8 billion in 1963 to $20.3billion for the current fiscal year. And from 1963 through fiscal 1968, a total of $96.5 billion was distributed to states and localities.

The last Congress passed a measure to review periodically grants-in-aid programs. It is time the private citizen remembered that the tax-loophole coin has two sides.

Dubious Help

The old song used to say "You always hurt the one you love," and sometimes it seems that government has a penchant for devising expensive schemes to kick in the teeth of those it seeks to help.

Consider the plight of teenagers seeking jobs. The kids are not, can not be, prepared for very high-paying work. Their productivity is understandably low. What they need is experience, and a reasonable wage for learning while earning.

But the government has decreed that they — and all others seeking employment — should get a minimum wage. There is something about the diginity of employment and so on emboided in the philosophy behind this decree; but not very much realistic economic sense.

Consider these facts presented to Congressmen over the past few years by Professor Yale Brozen of the University of Chicago:

Following fast upon minimum wage hikes in 1950 and 1956, "the 1961 increase to $1.15 was not fully digested when the $1.25 minimum went into efect in 1963, and the 1963 increase was not fully digested before the 1967 increase became effective."

The professor's diagnosis of this indigestion shows that teenage unemployment was 2.5 times the rate of unemployment in the total work-seeking population before the $1.15 minimum went into effect. In 1961-62, the year following the increase, the teenage unemployment rate jumped to 2.7 times the general incidence. It jumped again to 3.4 times in 1963-64 after the -1.25 level was set.

What do the minimum-wage disciples have against teenagers? Of course, they all no doubt ARE over 30.

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SENSING THE NEWS

AROUND THE U. S. CAPITOL

As Americans look forward to the promising new team in Washington, they should not imagine that all the problems of the nation can be solved in the nation's capital. On the contrary, the new President is likely to surprise many people by telling them to solve their own problems, or at least the majority of them.

This is as it should be. It is not only foolish but basically wrong to look to Washington for the solution to every difficulty at the city, county or state level. To be sure, the Kennedy and Johnson administrations encouraged such dependence and reliance. But that's not the American way. Traditionally, self-reliance has been the great national virtue. We need to return to self-reliance, beginning January 20.

It will take time for people to get adjusted. The National League of Cities, meeting in New Orleans, recently urged continued direct financial links between cities and the federal government. The Kennedy and Johnson administrations encouraged direct aid, for they knew that the White House would be able to exert great power in the city halls of the nation. It is far better, however, for any aid that goes to cities to be first channeled through the states. In that way, the authority of the states is upheld. Happily, Vice President-elect Spiro Agnew has indicated that aid will be routed through the states.

No doubt it will be hard for everyone to get accustomed to trying to handle more problems at the local level. People have fallen into the habit of running to Washington with every problem. Washington, however, isn't the fountainhead of wisdom. The cities and states know their own problems best, and they should welcome an administration that frankly tells them to get to work on solving these problems.

The idea also emerged in recent years that all the money in the land is in Washington. The notion also exists that the federal government has some mysterious, independent source of funds. Actually, of course, the federal government doesn't have any money but that which it takes from the cities and states — from individual citizens, that is — by way of taxation. Thus the federal government can't "give" anything without taking it from someone else. If the public insists on a new service or facility, it will haveto pay for it one way or another. There aren't any free services or facilities in the United States.

Furthermore, geting money from Washington, instead of taxing the homefolks, isn't a way of getting financial help at low cost. When the federal government spends a tax dollar, a big chunk of it goes for overhead — for maintaining the huge federal administrative set-up. In the long run, therefore, Americans will find it cheaper to have services provided by cities and states rather than by the federal government.

Hopefully, the Nixon administration will really "talk up" the themes of economy and self-reliance. It also will need to take administrative action to prevent waste of money by federal agencies. For example, one of the first steps that Robert H. Finch should take when he becomes Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare is to revise regulations on welfare assistance.

Outgoing Secretary Wilbur J. Cohen, in an action calculated to please reliefers and radical groups urging vastly increased government assistance, has proposed that eligibility procedures for relief be eliminated and that welfare clients qualify for aid on the basis of a mere request for assistance. If all eligibility rules are abandoned, the drone population will soar. It is sad

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TRANSIT TOPICS

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RTD

by
ARTIE DEE
Transportation Editor

Well here it is 1969 and I still owe for 1968, one thing I learned New Year's Day in Pasadena, "Thank Heaven for buses." Can you imagine what that traffic mess would have been like if all the people who rode buses had driven cars? All this adds up to one intersting fact, buss play a very important part in our daily lives!

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Someone once wrote a song "The Best Things in Life are Free" and although some of the former free stuff now costs money, there are still a few free thing around. Exposition Park, in the heart of Los Angeles, is one of those places. Easy to reach by RTD 49 line or 95 line, with connections from many other lines, this is a treat no one should overlook. The Museum of Natural History is an education in itself, with exhibits that defy the imagination. The museum of Science and Industry is another collestion of displays and exhibits you won't want to miss. And for the youngsters from 6 to 60, there is a vast collection of full-sized airplanes, cars, motors, etc. Take time to enjoy this interesting family outing.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY . . . Don't let yesterday use up too much of today.

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Q This may sound like a silly question, but for a person who never uses buses I just don't know. It looks like I will return to my old job soon and I want to use the bus to go to work from Baldwin Park to Los Angeles. What is the fare and can I get some sort of a schedule? Mrs. L.L.M.

A. I don't find your question silly. In fact, you sound quite normal. The fare one way from Baldwin Park to Los Angeles to 86c or $8.20 for a ten-ride book. RTD prints a timetable for all of its 116 lines and I've sent you one for the 53 line to Los Angeles.

Q. Several days ago, I lost a very expensive umbrella and it is possible that I left it on a bus in South Pasadena. I don't use buses often enough to see the driver again so can you tell me how I can find out about it. Mrs. R.S.

A. If your umbrella was left on the bus and if the operator found it before someone else did, you can call RI 9-6977 Ext. 366, and they will tell you if it is there.

Q. Before my sister returns to Minnesota, I want to take her to Disneyland. I live in Temple City, can you tell me how to get to Disneyland and how long it will take. Mr. T.R.

A. You can take the 52 line on Las Tunas and ride to 6th and Spring. Walk two blocks east to the RTD/Greyhound Terminal and catch the 58 line to Disneyland. The trip one way should take about 2½ hours.

Q. What bus goes to General Hospital and how can I catch it from Azusa? Mr. V.J.

A. The 68 line on Foothill in Azusa goes past the Mission side of General Hospital. I've sent you a timetable.

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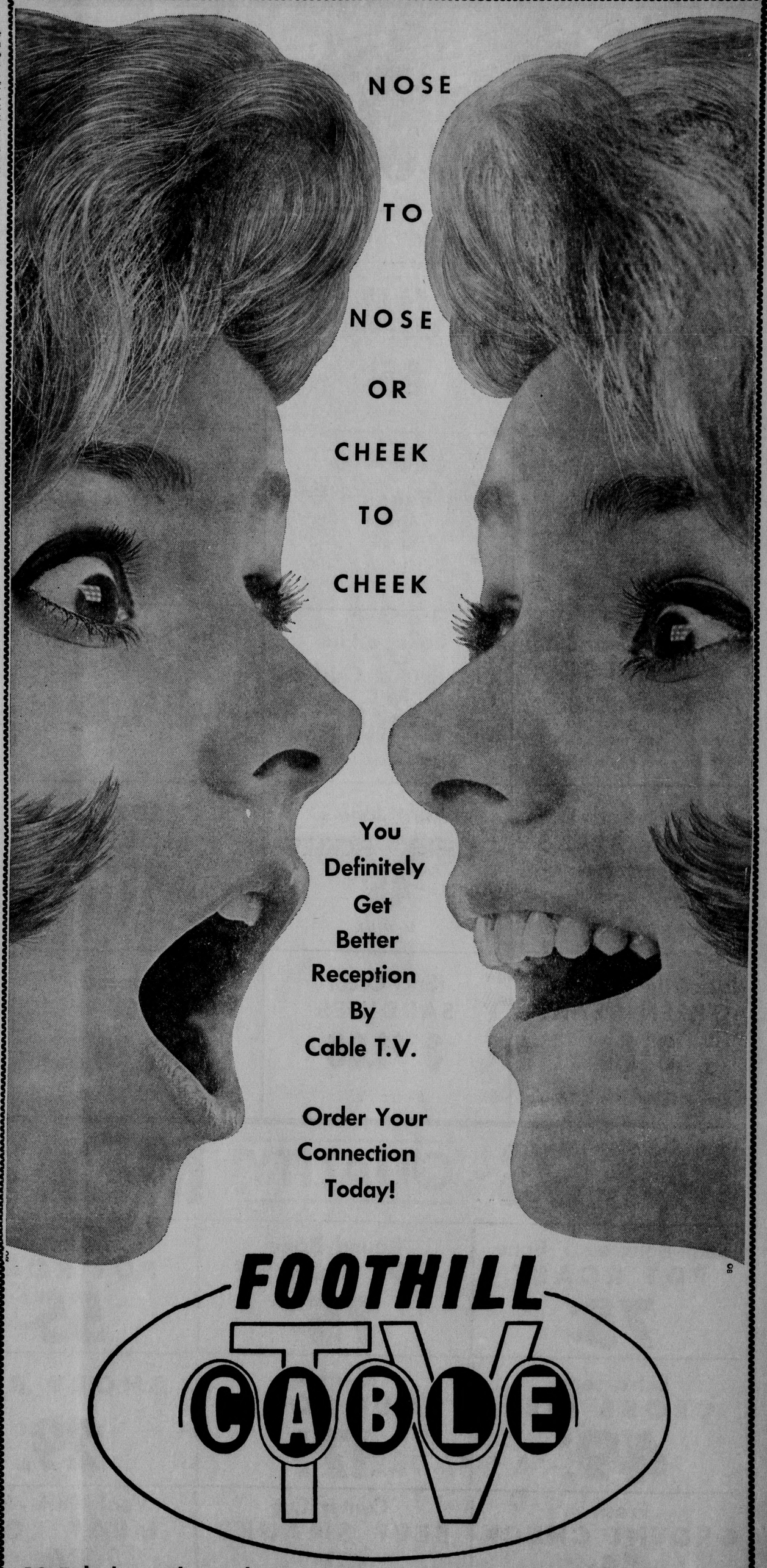
Send your questions to Artie Dee, Transportation Editor, care of this newspaper. All questions will be answered in the column, or by mail. A system map will be sent FREE to each person writing in. NO RETURN STAMPS OR STAMPED ENVELOPES ARE NECESSARY.



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